#### § 172.765

# §172.765 Succistearin (stearoyl propylene glycol hydrogen succinate).

The food additive succistearin (stearoyl propylene glycol hydrogen succinate) may be safely used in food in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

- (a) The additive is the reaction product of succinic anhydride, fully hydrogenated vegetable oil (predominantly  $C_{16}$  or  $C_{18}$  fatty acid chain length), and propylene glycol.
- (b) The additive meets the following specifications:

Acid number 50-150. Hydroxyl number 15-50. Succinated ester content 45-75 percent.

(c) The additive is used or intended for use as an emulsifier in or with shortenings and edible oils intended for use in cakes, cake mixes, fillings, icings, pastries, and toppings, in accordance with good manufacturing practice.

### §172.770 Ethylene oxide polymer.

The polymer of ethylene oxide may be safely used as a foam stabilizer in fermented malt beverages in accordance with the following conditions.

- (a) It is the polymer of ethylene oxide having a minimum viscosity of 1,500 centipoises in a 1 percent aqueous solution at 25  $^{\circ}$ C.
- (b) It is used at a level not to exceed 300 parts per million by weight of the fermented malt beverage.
- (c) The label of the additive bears directions for use to insure compliance with paragraph (b) of this section.

#### §172.775 Methacrylic aciddivinylbenzene copolymer.

Methacrylic acid-divinylbenzene copolymer may be safely used in food in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

- (a) The additive is produced by the polymerization of methacrylic acid and divinylbenzene. The divinylbenzene functions as a cross-linking agent and constitutes a minimum of 4 percent of the polymer.
- (b) Aqueous extractives from the additive do not exceed 2 percent (dry basis) after 24 hours at 25  $^{\circ}$ C.

(c) The additive is used as a carrier of vitamin  $B_{12}$  in foods for special dietary use.

## Subpart I—Multipurpose Additives

## §172.800 Acesulfame potassium.

Acesulfame potassium (CAS Reg. No. 55589-62-3), also known as acesulfame K, may be safely used as a sweetening agent in food in accordance with the following prescribed conditions:

- (a) Acesulfame potassium is the potassium salt of 6-methyl-1,2,3-oxathiazine-4(3*H*)-one-2,2-dioxide.
- (b) The additive meets the following specifications:
- (1) Purity is not less than 99 percent on a dry basis. The purity shall be determined by a method titled "Acesulfame Potassium Assay," which is incorporated by reference. Copies are available from the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-200), Food and Drug Administration, 200 C St. SW., Washington, DC 20204, or available for inspection at the Office of the FEDERAL REGISTER, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC 20408.
- (2) Fluoride content is not more than 30 parts per million, as determined by method III of the Fluoride Limit Test of the Food Chemicals Codex, 3d Ed. (1981), p. 511, which is incorporated by reference. Copies are available from the National Academy Press, 2101 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20418, or available for inspection at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC 20408.
- (c) The additive may be used in the following foods when standards of identity established under section 401 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act do not preclude such use:
- (1) Sugar substitute, including granulated, powdered, liquid, and tablet form.
  - (2) [Reserved]
  - (3) Chewing gum.
- (4) Dry bases for beverages, instant coffee, and instant tea.
- (5) Dry bases for gelatins, puddings, and pudding desserts.
- (6) Dry bases for dairy product analogs.